REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Application Number	09/739,506	
Filing Date	DECEMBER 18, 2000	
First Named Inventor	LEO CARL CHRISTENSON	
Group Art Unit	2661	
Examiner Name	STEVEN BLOUNT	
Attorney Docket Number	US000344	

This is an RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application (which is made prior to: payment of issue fee; abandonment; notice of appeal to the CAFC; or commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. 145 or 146.)

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114			
a. X Previously submitted			
 i. X Consider the supplemental amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on <u>January 31, 2005</u>, (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). 			
ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously field on			
iii.			
b. Enclosed			
i. Preliminary Amendment			
ii. Affidavit(s)Declaration(s)			
iii. Information Disclosure Statement			
iv. Other (may not be a brief)			
2. Miscellaneous			
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months. (May not exceed 3 months; Fee required per 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(i)			
b. Other			
3. Fees			
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